

Based on the following Amendments and Remarks, the application is deemed to be in condition for allowance and action to that end is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel Claims 2-10 and 12-20, without prejudice, and please add the following new Claims 21-38 as follows:

AL -- 21. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the processing device processes information regarding at least one of a subsequent repair, a maintenance procedure, and a servicing procedure, and further wherein the processing device stores the information regarding the at least one of a subsequent repair, a maintenance procedure, and a servicing procedure, in the memory device.

22. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the memory device contains information regarding at least one of a single vehicle and a plurality of vehicles.

23. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the communication device is at least one of a personal computer, a home computer, a

server computer, a network computer, a hand-held computer, a palmtop computer, a laptop computer, a personal communication device, a personal digital assistant, a telephone, a digital telephone, a display telephone, a video telephone, a videophone, a 3G telephone, a television, an interactive television, a beeper, a pager, and a watch.

A 24. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the memory device comprises a comprehensive vehicle maintenance database.

25. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the processing device generates at least one of a maintenance reminder message and a service reminder message.

26. The apparatus of Claim 25, wherein the at least one of a maintenance reminder message and a service reminder message is transmitted to the communication device.

27. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the apparatus transmits a signal to at least one of a vehicle computer and a vehicle electronic command computer, and further wherein the apparatus uploads vehicle information from the at least one of a vehicle computer and a vehicle electronic command computer.

28. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the apparatus is utilized in conjunction with at least one of a wireless communication network, the Internet, and the World Wide Web.

29. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the processing device determines a feasibility of performing at least one of a repair, a maintenance procedure, and a servicing procedure, on the vehicle.

30. The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the memory device stores information regarding at least one of a vehicle service provider, a provider of specialized services, a vehicle part provider, a vehicle equipment provider, a vehicle component provider, and a vehicle accessory provider, wherein the receiver receives a request for at least one of a vehicle service provider, a provider of specialized services, a vehicle parts provider, a vehicle equipment provider, a vehicle component provider, and a vehicle accessory provider, wherein the processing device processes the request utilizing the information regarding the at least one of a vehicle service provider, a provider of specialized service, a vehicle parts provider, a vehicle equipment provider, a vehicle component provider, and a vehicle accessory provider, wherein the processing device generates at least one of a second message to provide information to a user and a third message to provide information to a

provider, and further wherein the transmitter for transmitting at least one of the second message to the communication device and the third message to a second communication device associated with a provider.

31. The method of Claim 11, further comprising:

processing information regarding a subsequent repair, a maintenance procedure, and a servicing procedure; and

storing the information regarding a subsequent repair, a maintenance procedure, and a servicing procedure.

32. The method of Claim 11, wherein the communication device is at least one of a personal computer, a home computer, a server computer, a network computer, a hand-held computer, a palmtop computer, a laptop computer, a personal communication device, a personal digital assistant, a telephone, a digital telephone, a display telephone, a video telephone, a videophone, a 3G telephone, a television, an interactive television, a beeper, a pager, and a watch.

33. The method of Claim 11, further comprising:

generating at least one of a maintenance reminder message and a service reminder message.

34. The method of Claim 33, further comprising:

transmitting the at least one of a maintenance reminder message and a service reminder message to the communication device.

35. The method of Claim 11, further comprising:

transmitting a signal to at least one of a vehicle computer and a vehicle electronic command computer; and

uploading vehicle information from the at least one of a vehicle computer and a vehicle electronic command computer.

36. The method of Claim 11, further comprising:

determining a feasibility of performing at least one of a repair, a maintenance procedure, and a servicing procedure, on the vehicle.

37. The method of Claim 11, further comprising:

storing information regarding at least one of a vehicle service provider, a provider of specialized services, a vehicle part provider, a vehicle equipment provider, a vehicle component provider, and a vehicle accessory provider;

receiving a request for at least one of a vehicle service provider, a provider of specialized services, a vehicle parts provider, a vehicle equipment provider, a vehicle component provider, and a vehicle accessory provider;

processing the request utilizing the information regarding the at least one of a vehicle service provider, a provider of specialized service, a vehicle parts provider, a vehicle equipment provider, a vehicle component provider, and a vehicle accessory provider; and

generating at least one of a second message to provide information to a user and a third message to provide information to a provider.

38. The method of Claim 37, further comprising:

transmitting at least one of the second message to the communication device and the third message to a second communication device associated with a provider. --

Please amend Claims 1 and 11 as follows:

1. (Amended) An apparatus for processing vehicle information and/or vehicle maintenance information, comprising:

A2 a memory device for storing at least one of vehicle diagnostic information, vehicle repair information, vehicle maintenance information, and vehicle servicing information;

a receiver for receiving information regarding at least one of a vehicle problem, a vehicle malfunction, and a vehicle state of disrepair, regarding a vehicle, wherein the information is transmitted to the receiver from a communication device, wherein the communication device is located at a location remote from the vehicle;

a processing device, wherein the processing device is located at a location remote from the vehicle and remote from the communication device, wherein the processing device processes the information regarding at least one of a vehicle problem, a vehicle malfunction, and a vehicle state of disrepair, utilizing the at least one of vehicle diagnostic information, vehicle repair information, vehicle maintenance information, and vehicle servicing information, wherein the processing device generates at

least one of a diagnostic report, a repair report, a maintenance report, and a servicing report; and

AD a transmitter for transmitting the at least one of a diagnostic report, a repair report, a maintenance report, and a servicing report, to the communication device.

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11. (Amended) A method for processing vehicle information and/or vehicle maintenance information, comprising:

23 storing at least one of vehicle diagnostic information, vehicle repair information, vehicle maintenance information, and vehicle servicing information, in a memory device;

receiving information regarding at least one of a vehicle problem, a vehicle malfunction, and a vehicle state of disrepair, regarding a vehicle, wherein the information is received by a receiver, and further wherein the information is transmitted to the receiver from a communication device, wherein the communication device is located at a location remote from the vehicle;

processing the information regarding the at least one of a vehicle problem, a vehicle malfunction, and a vehicle state of disrepair, with a processing device utilizing the at least one of